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Atty. Docket No.:

546-USA

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OPTICAL COUPLER COMPRISING MULTIMODE FIBERS AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

which is described and claimed in (check one of the following):

- ☒ the attached specification;
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Appendix 1

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Appendix 2

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TITLE OF
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OPTICAL COUPLER COMPRISING MULTIMODE
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Appendix 3

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	Title	Optical Coupler...
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 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the invention
 - Brief Summary of the invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
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